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MEMORANDUM FOR: MR. DULLES

SUBJECT

: Junior Officer Trainee at the Operations Coordinating

Board.

1. Pursuant to your request made at the Deputies' Meeting on 24 March 1958, I discussed with and Ed Saunders the question raised by the exchange of correspondence with Elmer Staats in which he requests that we continue to furnish a Junior Officer Trainee to the Operations Coordinating Board, but on a nonreimbursable basis, and I suggest that the assignment of a JOT to the OCB for training purposes be discontinued with the termination of the present incumbent's tour.

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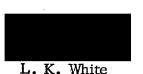
2. Ed Saunders assures me that since the merger of the National Security Council and the Operations Coordinating Board it has been his clear understanding with Jimmy Lay that the OCB would reimburse for all members of their staff who were detailed from other agencies and that to his knowledge there have been no exceptions. confirms this and says that to his knowledge 25X1A9a no other governmental agency is furnishing personnel to the OCB on a nonreimbursable basis. However, he does feel that this is valuable training for a JOT and that it would be in our best interest to continue the practice. He also feels 25X1A9athat with already over there and with

from the Commercial Staff about to be detailed there we have adequate representation to know what is going on.

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3. Therefore, this seems to boil down to the simple question of whether or not we should have a JOT at the OCB for training purposes. I feel very strongly that we shouldn't. Unless you feel that we should contribute one person on a nonreimbursable basis in the interest of our over-all relationship, I recommend that we take no further action. In any case, we have left the door open for Staats to come back with a counterproposal in the event that he cares to.

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